In the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Claims 1-5 (cancelled)

6. (currently amended) A method for facilitating a search of a database for binary content corresponding to a text string, said method comprising:

creating a record in said database;

storing said binary content within a first field of said record, wherein said binary content does not contain searchable text;

converting said binary content directly into text content;

storing said text content within a second field of said record;

searching for said text string within said second field; and,

downloading, from said database, said binary content to a computer based on said searching step.

7. (previously presented) The method of claim 6, wherein said step of storing said binary content comprises storing said binary content as binary large object (BLOB) content in said first field.

8. (previously presented) The method of claim 6, wherein said step of storing said text content comprises storing said text content as character large object (CLOB) content in said second field.

9. (previously presented) The method of claim 6, wherein said converting step comprises:

determining a file format of said binary content; and,

converting said binary content to said text content based on said file format.

10. (previously presented) The method of claim 6, wherein said converting step comprises:

determining a file format of said binary content; and,

converting said binary content to said text content based on said file format by applying an algorithm according to said file format.

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11. (previously presented) The method of claim 6, wherein said searching step comprises:

 receiving search criteria, wherein said search criteria comprises a text string;

 constructing a query based on said search criteria;

 executing said query to locate data within said second field;

 matching said search criteria to produce search results; and,

 retrieving said binary content from said first field corresponding to said second field based on said search results.

12. (previously presented) The method of claim 11, further comprising parsing said binary content according to said search criteria.

13. (previously presented) The method of claim 6, wherein said searching step comprises searching for said text string via a browser application.

14. (previously presented) The method of claim 6, wherein said downloading step comprises:

 saving said binary content to a file; and,

 providing a hyperlink to said file.

15. (previously presented) The method of claim 6, wherein said downloading step comprises downloading said binary content to a computer which is remote from said database.

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